



Changes for units, apartments and townhouses

We understand that not all households have room to store 4 bins.

Most people living in units and apartments will use shared bins with their neighbours.

Some residents will need to take their glass bottles and jars to a glass recycling drop-off point. We will mail you information in February if this affects you.

Changes for businesses

If your business pays the waste charge to use Council's kerbside waste collection service, you will receive a new purple glass bin, or access to a drop-off point, and a larger 240 litre mixed recycling bin.

You will also have the option to opt-in to the food and garden organics service. Go to merri-bek.vic.gov.au/bins for more information.



A new 4-bin waste service is coming to Merri-bek in July 2023.

There will be changes to the number of bins you have, the size of your bins, and how often they are picked up.

This guide gives you an overview of the changes. More information is available on our website.

Why are we getting 4 bins?

The Victorian Government is standardising household waste and recycling services across the state.

The 4-bin service will help reduce waste sent to landfill and improve the quality of recyclables in Victoria.

New glass recycling bins

Broken glass in the mixed recycling bin makes other items like cardboard, paper and plastic hard to recycle. By putting your glass bottles and jars in a separate bin or drop-off point, more glass can be recycled into new things.

Food and garden organics bins

Food thrown into your general rubbish bin ends up in landfill. Food in landfill creates greenhouse gases that contribute to climate change.

By putting your food scraps in the food and garden organics bin, we can almost halve the amount of waste sent to landfill. This means your food scraps can be turned into mulch and compost instead of ending up in landfill.

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More information

If you have any questions about the upcoming changes, visit our website merri-bek.vic.gov.au/bins

More information will be sent directly to households and businesses in February 2023.

Contact us
Email: wasteprojects@merri-bek.vic.gov.au
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From July 2023, the way we use our bins will be changing

A small act makes a big impact



From July 2023 you will need to sort your waste into 4 different bins

For more information visit merri-bek.vic.gov.au/bins

Not in any bin: Electronic waste or power cords, batteries of any kind, chemicals or hazardous waste, building waste, soil or rubble. Find out how to dispose of these and other items at merri-bek.vic.gov.au/azguide

Mixed recycling To be collected fortnightly

Use this bin for plastic bottles and containers, paper, cardboard and aluminium and steel tins, cans and foil.

✓ Yes



Your larger **mixed recycling bin** will arrive in March - April 2023

- You will receive a larger yellow lidded 240 litre mixed recycling bin.
- Fortnightly collections of this bin will begin in July 2023.
- Your old 120 litre recycling bin will be picked up and recycled.

Glass recycling To be collected monthly

When collections begin you can use this bin for glass bottles and jars.

✓ Yes



Your new **glass recycling bin** will arrive in April - May 2023

- You will receive a new purple lidded glass recycling bin.
- Monthly collections of this bin will begin in July 2023.
- **Please do not use this bin until collections start.**
- Some households and businesses will use a glass recycling drop-off point instead of having their own bin.

Food and garden organics To be collected weekly

Use this bin for food scraps and garden clippings only.

✓ Yes



Your new **food and garden organic bins** will arrive in June 2023

- Households without a green lidded food and garden organics bin will receive a new bin.
- You can use this bin straight away.
- Weekly collections of this bin will begin in July 2023.

General rubbish No change to collection frequency

Use this bin for items that can't be reused or recycled.

✓ Yes



There will be no changes to your **general rubbish bin**

- Food scraps will no longer go in your general rubbish bin.
- This bin will continue to be collected weekly.